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In re application of: HIROHIKO HOHJOH 10/568,628 Serial No.: Group No.: 1635 Filed **SEPTEMBER 5, 2006** Examiner: CHONG, KIMBERLY Confirmation 2748 No.: For: IMPROVED siRNA MOLECULE AND METHOD OF SUPPRESSING GENE EXPRESSION WITH THE USE OF THE SAME U 016154-7 Attorney Docket No.: Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 RESPONSE TO ACTION OF NOVEMBER 13, 2008 Reconsideration and further examination is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. The listing of the claims begins on page 2. The remarks begin on page 9. CERTIFICATE OF MAILING/TRANSMISSION (37 CFR 1.8a) I hereby certify that this correspondence is, on the date shown below, being: **MAILING FACSIMILE** transmitted by facsimile to the Patent and deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an Trademark Office to (571)-273-8300 envelope addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-**EFS-WEB** 1450 transmitted electronically

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